

**Reservoir High School Music Boosters
Executive Board Meeting
April 14, 2008**

Call to Order

President Wes Alexander called the meeting to order at 7:35.

Minutes of the 3/10/08 Executive Board meeting

Minutes of the 3/10/08 Executive Board meeting were distributed. They were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report

- Anne Lee reviewed the Profit and Loss Budget Performance spreadsheet.
- We still need to earn \$13K more to make budget for the year, but Anne does not think this will be a problem. The 5K race, the Art Auction check, and the spring concerts are yet to come.
- For spring trip, the hotel bill, transportation, and festival tickets have all been paid. This has required all the money we've collected so far.

Hot Business

- Dinner Raffle
 - Monta Gordon thanked Anne Lee for coming in during school to collect money and tickets from the students. A few students still haven't turned in either tickets or money. This fundraiser came in under budget, but we have fewer students this year. There are about 32 restaurant certificates for prizes this year. The drawing will be at the mandatory parent meeting.
- Spring Trip
 - Brian Donelly visited Virginia Beach, and it all looks good. Meals in the hotel will be eaten in the dining room at the top of the hotel with a panoramic view of the beach. The chaperone meeting was held last week. A few details are left to work out, such as lunch on the competition day.
- Car Washes (April 12, May 3, June 7)
 - April 12 carwash made about \$750 after paying for the tanker.
 - May 3 carwash will share the parking lot with the afterprom flower sale.

On the Horizon

- 5K Race (May 10)
 - A committee will be meeting with Lydia (from Maple Lawn) this weekend. The race festivities will be held on the Maple Lawn street in front of the businesses instead of in the back parking lot this year. OZ Chophouse will be providing food. We need to borrow more tables from the school than we did last year. A brass group and the drumline will provide music.
 - It was suggested that we get a couple of canopies for the music department. We need some for the 5K race, and they would also be useful for car washes, marching band, and spring trip. We agreed that these could be purchased with funds from the "equipment" budget line.

- Greg Schuler will email the list serve for volunteers; students are signing up on their own signup sheet.
- Awards Banquet (May 14)
 - Three Brothers will cater again this year. Sherry Kirkpatrick and Chris Mitchell looked at several other options, but they would be more expensive. Three Brothers has raised their prices, but they still give the most food for the money. Anne asked whether it still makes sense to have a meal, given how large the music department has grown. Matt Dubbs responded that the kids really look forward to it, and he thinks they would be disappointed without the food. Sherry suggested that the teachers ask the students their opinion after the awards banquet this year.
 - May 14 is also an Art Club event, and they have the cafeteria booked. We have the atrium, auditorium, and gymnasium. Not clear who has the tables. Matt will find out more.
 - Rob Dice has received pictures from about 2/3 of the seniors, maybe more.
- Impromptu brainstorming about recruiting volunteers
 - Sally Kelly suggested that we have a job fair at the beginning of the year to get more volunteers signed up.
 - Matt suggested that we target it to marching band for the June 2 new marching band members, and have another fair for winter activities at the winter concerts (out in the lobby).
 - Donna Fenicle mentioned that phone calls with direct requests for volunteers are much more effective than emails requesting help.
 - Chris suggested that we target particular fund raisers to be run by different groups, e.g. choral parents run some, orchestra parents run others.
 - John Lee suggested that the directors send home a letter describing what the music boosters do for the school.
- Nominating Committee
 - The committee is still seeking nominees. They have received 1 nomination for the president and 1 for secretary (both are self-nominations). Election will occur at the May Music Booster meeting. John would like to solicit nominations on Pledge Night.
- Scholarship Committee
 - The committee plans to advertise in hard copy on doors of music suite and at pledge night.

Staff Comments

- Matt Dubbs, bands
 - Would love parents to come for the performances on spring trip.
 - Symphonic band got all 1's at adjudication. Concert band adjudication went well, with two 1's and two 2's (for a 2 overall).
 - Spring concerts are coming up.
- Greg Knauf, choral
 - Musical is this week, on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday at 7:30, and Sunday at 2:00.
 - The choir got all 1's at adjudication.

Open Discussion

- Shirley Eden suggested getting tux jackets, either rental or purchase.

- Chris Mitchell said that tux pants are less expensive than regular black pants. Over the years, she's gotten donations back from graduating seniors (at Paint Branch High School, where she directs the choir), and now has enough to loan to students each year.
- Donna Fenicle said that JC Penney sells tuxes for \$100.
- Wilde Lake doesn't have uniform black skirts, and Shirley would like to offer our old black skirts to them. Some of ours were paid for by the school system, the rest by the music boosters. There was some discussion about whether we can charge some small fee for the skirts, but since the school board paid for some, we can't sell them. Matt suggests that Brian talk to their choral director.

Adjournment

With no further business before the group, the meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m. The next general membership meeting is scheduled for May 12, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. in the music suite.

Respectfully submitted,

Susannah Schiller
Secretary, RHS Music Boosters